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Lt. General Vernon A. Walters, USA Deputy Director, CIA Washington, DC 20505

Dear General Walters:

On behalf of our staff I wish to thank you for the generous amount of time you allocated to us in your brilliant presentation yesterday. Putting the problem our country faces into perspective, as you did, helps our management brief our national staff on how to respond to the questions of the business community which are received regularly.

Since I am the incoming president of The Union League Club of New York, it has occurred to me you may be willing to address the Club at one of their luncheons, and present your views. (Senator Buckley spoke to us last month.) While you would be speaking to an audience on the same wavelength as you, I believe they too need the "ammunition" you can provide to help in their advocacy of a strong intelligence organization.

I'll phone your office in the next few days, and do hope you will favorably consider this invitation. We usually are able to work out a date convenient to the speaker.

Again, my thanks for the opportunity to listen to a patriot.

Sincerely

Joseph D. Ardleigh

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